FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT **FOR**

Food Additive Petition 0A4716, submitted by Eka Chemicals, Inc., to amend the food additive regulations to provide for the safe use of chlorine dioxide produced by another method.

The Chemistry and Environmental Review Team, Division of Product Policy, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, has determined that the approval of this petition will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment and therefore will not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement. This finding is based on information submitted by the petitioner in an environmental assessment and in a supplemental letter.

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Dear Ms. Glew

On behalf of the petitioner, Eka Chemicals, Inc., the purpose of this letter is to provide written confirmation that the Petitioner is aware of no extraordinary circumstances at the site of production or at the site of use of the additive, chlorine dioxide, that may significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

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Sincerely yours: